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Weekly Newsletter

Welcome to the weekly newsletter from Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley.

Message from Sandra Doorley

Weekly Update

The first week in February has been very active in the Monroe County District Attorney's Office.

Many of our Assistant District Attorneys are in back-to-back trials, securing justice for victims and the community after a violent 2021. Over the past seven days, there have been four active jury trials, two of which have already come back with convictions. On Wednesday afternoon, James Young was convicted by a jury of Predatory Sexual Assault Against a Child, a Class A Felony that faces up to 25 years to Life. Later that night, after 9:00PM, a jury also convicted Tory Aldridge of Murder in the 2nd Degree for the murder of Norris Jay. I expect even more verdicts in the coming days for our other pending jury and bench trials.

Our office is not slowing down. We are conducting four to five felony trials a week, with the intention of continuing at this pace as long as the court allows. After a violent year with a record number of homicides, the attorneys in my office and I are prepared and ready to bring our cases to trial.

Earlier in the week, I had a very productive meeting with Victor Saunders, who was appointed by Mayor Evans as the Adviser on Violence Prevention Programs. Victor and I have an excellent relationship, and I look forward to working with the City's administration to combat violence through innovative, data-driven methods.

It is no secret that we cannot arrest our way out of crime, but we can do our part to hold violent offenders accountable. Whether it is a violent carjacking, a shooting assault, or a domestic violence homicide, I continue my pledge to protect the community from these violent offenders to the best of my ability. In order to do this, we must continue these trials and utilize every resource this community has to offer.

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Homicide Update

So far in 2022:

City of Rochester Total: 4

Monroe County Total: 4

Highlights from the MCDA's Office

Tory Aldridge was convicted by a Monroe County Jury of Murder in the 2nd Degree, two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree and one count of Reckless Endangerment in the 1st Degree for the murder of Norris Jay. On March 7, 2020, Norris Jay was standing on his porch watching his 10-year-old nephew play outside, when Tory Aldridge approached the house and shot Mr. Jay in the Torso. The 10-year-old witnessed the homicide while his 14-year-old sister was inside the home. After a detailed and thorough investigation from the Rochester Police Department's Major Crimes Unit, Tory Aldridge was identified as the assailant and arrested two months later. The case was prosecuted by Special Assistant District Attorney Hillary Langdon, of the Special Victims Unit and Assistant District Attorney Ralph Alloco, also of the Special Victims Unit.

Rashad Albert-Brown was indicted on Murder in the 2nd Degree in relation to the death of Tarrell McKnight on December 4, 2021. This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant District Attorney Eleanor Biggers, of the Major Felony Bureau.

James Young was convicted by a Monroe County Jury of Predatory Sexual Assault Against a Child for the ongoing abuse against a child under the age of 13. This case was investigated by the New York State Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. James Young also has pending federal charges. This abuse occurred on or about and between June 2019 and April 2020. This case was prosecuted by Senior Assistant District Attorney Constance Patterson, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Tyrone Oliver was indicted on Assault in the 2nd Degree, Attempted Assault in the 2nd Degree and Endangering the Welfare of a Child in relation to an incident on January 15, 2022 in the Civic Center Parking Garage. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Matthew Schwartz, Chief of the Major Felony Bureau.

Two 14-year-old and two 15-year-olds were indicted Robbery in the 1st Degree, Robbery in the 2nd Degree and Assault in the 2nd Degree for an incident outside of Greece Ridge Mall. All four female defendants were arraigned in Youth Part on Thursday, February 3, 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Anthony Freeman, of the Major Felony Bureau, who will be arguing to keep this case in youth part, rather than being transferred to family court.

Dante Hills was indicted on Assault in the 1st Degree, two counts of Burglary in the 1st Degree and Criminal Contempt in the 1st Degree in relation to domestic incidents during the month of January 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Rachel Clark, Deputy Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau.

Kenneth Nixon Jr. was indicted on two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree and two counts of Menacing a Police Officer in relation to a shooting event on January 19, 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant District Attorney Gregory Clark, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Richard Burchard-Lopez was indicted on Assault in the 1st Degree, two counts of Assault in the 2nd Degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree in relation to a domestic incident on January 13, 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Patrick Gallagher, Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau.

MCDA in the Community

Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley joined Primetime Learning and members of the community in remembering Matt Trabold. Known for wearing shorts while reporting from local sporting events and supporting Section V Athletes, we wore shorts to remind everyone that It is ok not to be ok! There is no shame in sharing yours struggles and asking for help!

Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley was proud to participate in World Read Aloud Day at John James Audubon School #33. She read to a third grade class who asked great questions about her favorite books and the job of a prosecutor. Keep reading!





MCDA in the News

https://www.whec.com/rochester-new-york-news/doorley-pushing-tokeep-case-of-4-teens-accused-of-stabbing-carjacking-woman-out-offamily-court/6378304/

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Welcome to our newest Assistant District Attorney, Jason Espinosa. Keep an eye out for ADA Espinosa in Greece Town Court. Welcome, Jason!



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We are hiring attorneys! If you are a recent law school graduate or an experienced attorney and are interested in a career in criminal law and public service, apply with us today! More information is available on monroecounty.gov/da.